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Application No. : 09/660,175  
Applicant(s) : Mark Robert Sivik, et al.  
Filed : September 12, 2000  
Title : ETHER-CAPPED POLY(OXYALATED) ALCOHOL  
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TC/A.U. : 1751  
Examiner : Brian P. Mruk  
Conf. No. : 6728  
Docket No. : 7882X

**REPLY AFTER 2<sup>ND</sup> OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.112**  
**AMENDMENT AFTER 2<sup>ND</sup> OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.112**

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**INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**

In response to the Office Action of October 16, 2003, the time for response being extended by 1 month, pursuant to the fee charged to the Assignee's Deposit Account in the papers submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks and reconsider the application. Attached hereto is a Petition for a 1-Month Extension of Time, and the fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(a), providing for a timely response up to and including February 17, 2004 (February 16, 2004 falls on President's Day, a National Holiday).

*Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.*

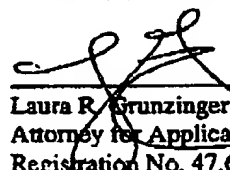
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